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FRANCHERE, HOYT C.

April 4, 1962

Mr. Hoyt C. Franchere
Portland State College
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Franchere:

It is good news to know that you are doing a volume on Edwin Arlington Robinson for the Twayne series. We shall purchase copies for the library, and we hope that you may want to inscribe and present a copy to be placed in the Maine Author Collection.

This is a permanent exhibit collection of Maine books (Maine by virtue of the author or the subject matter), numbering about three thousand volumes, most of which are inscribed presentation copies. Biographical and critical material complements the collection, so that our information on Maine writers and writing is as complete as possible.

We are proud of the collection, its size and variety, and of the value and interest it has for students and visitors. A new book on Robinson would be a distinguished addition, and we hope that we may be fortunate enough to add your book.

Our best wishes for its successful completion.

Sincerely yours

hmj

In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

PORTLAND STATE COLLEGE PORTLAND 1, OREGON

DIVISION OF HUMANITIES
OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

May 11, 1962

Mrs. F. W. Jacob
Maine Author Collection
Maine State Library
Augusta, Maine

My dear Mrs. Jacob:

You were most kind to write me early last month concerning the work that I am doing on Edwin Arlington Robinson. I shall of course be glad to inscribe a copy of my book and send it to you the moment it is published; but perhaps I should tell you that I do not expect to complete the manuscript until 1963 and I doubt very much that the book will be in print until some time during the summer or fall of 1964.

Mrs. Franchere and I spent some time in Maine this last October. Yours is a beautiful state and your citizens have made distinguished contributions to both American history and American literature. I think that EAR is easily one of the finest of the Maine writers, of course, and am happy to be studying his works and letters.

Thank you again for your interest.

Sincerely yours,



Hoyt C. Franchere, Chairman
Division of Humanities

HCF/lw

June 26, 1962

Mr. Hoyt C. Franchere, Chairman
Division of Humanities
Portland State College
Portland 1, Oregon

Dear Mr. Franchere:

Thank you very much for your friendly
letter about your book on Edwin Arlington
Robinson.

We shall resign ourselves to waiting
patiently, and hoping that the work progresses
satisfactorily.

Sincerely yours

hmj

In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

March 24, 1970

Mr. Hoyt C. Franchere, Dean
Division of Arts and Letters
Portland State College
Portland, Oregon 97207

Dear Mr. Franchere:

Do you recall our correspondence of almost eight years ago regarding the book on which you were then working? At that time you said that you would be glad to inscribe a copy of the book on Edwin Arlington Robinson and send it to us for inclusion in the Maine Author Collection, an exhibit of Maine books and books on Maine subjects.

Of course we bought it for the general section of the library, and welcome indeed it is. It has been noted in the Bulletin of the Maine Library Association, to call the attention of other libraries to its publication.

Now we hope that you are still generously inclined toward the Maine Author Collection, and that an inscribed copy may be ours to add to the Robinson section of these books.

All good wishes to yours.

Sincerely yours

hmj

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Division of Arts and Letters
Office of the Dean

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March 27, 1970

Mrs. F. W. Jacob
Maine State Library
Augusta, Maine 04330

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Will you please forgive my failure to send you a copy of my study of Edwin Arlington Robinson. Following the final revisions of the manuscript, I suffered a moderate heart attack; and, to tell the truth, I simply forgot to review my correspondence on the Robinson material when I returned to my desk some months later. Even the publication of the book was delayed beyond the date that I had expected to see it in print.

Now I must order copies, and I shall send you one inscribed the moment that I get the books from my publisher. Thank you for reminding me of my promise to you.

My best wishes to you and other members of your staff.

Sincerely yours,

Hoyt C. Franchere, Dean
Division of Arts and Letters

HCF:ds

June 12, 1970

Hoyt C. Franchere, Dean
Division of Arts and Letters
Portland State University
P.O. Box 751
Portland, Oregon 97207

Dear Dean Franchere:

Thank you very much for sending an inscribed copy of your book on Robinson for the Maine Author Collection. We do indeed appreciate your kindness, and hope that you are constantly gaining strength and energy. Perhaps the summer months will bring you needed relaxation from the academic front.

Sincerely yours

hmj

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